



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**GREENVILLE TECHNICAL CHARTER**  
**Greenville**  
**Grades: 9-12** **Enrollment: 421**  
**Principal: W. Fred Crawford**  
**Superintendent: Dr. Phinnize J. Fisher**  
**Board Chair: Roger Meek**

## PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2011	Excellent	Excellent	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2010	Excellent	Excellent	Gold	N/A	Met	N/A
2009	Excellent	Excellent	Gold	N/A	Met	N/A

## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
5	0	0	0	0

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are High Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

## HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2010	2011	2010	2011
Passed 2 subtests (%)	99.1%	97.3%	95.4%	94.3%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	0.9%	1.8%	3.3%	3.8%
Passed no subtests (%)	N/A	0.9%	2.6%	1.8%

## HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2011

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	100.0%	98.6%

## ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	92	461
Number of Diplomas	92	403
Rate (%)	100.0%	89.9%

## END OF COURSE TESTS - 2011

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	98.6	94.5
English 1	89.2	85.7
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	94.5	89.8
Physical Science	81.1	82.3
US History and the Constitution	78.3	75.2
All Tests	88.7	85.3

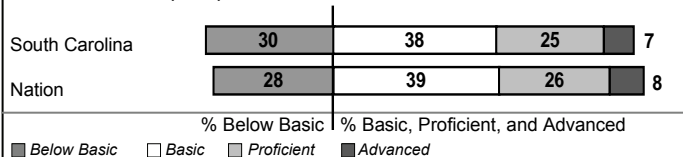
## NAEP PERFORMANCE\*

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

### READING - GRADE 8 (2011)



### MATH - GRADE 8 (2011)



### SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2009)



## SC PERFORMANCE VISION

*By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.*

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# GREENVILLE TECHNICAL CHARTER [Greenville]

## SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
<b>Students (n=421)</b>				
Retention rate	1.0%	Up from 0.0%	2.8%	3.4%
Attendance rate	92.7%	Down from 96.8%	92.7%	95.0%
Served by gifted and talented program	25.1%	Up from 0.0%	25.1%	12.4%
With disabilities other than speech	5.3%	Down from 6.4%	5.7%	9.9%
Older than usual for grade	1.2%	No Change	4.2%	7.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	Down from 0.5%	0.4%	0.9%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	N/R	N/R	31.5%	13.0%
Successful on AP/IB exams	N/A	N/A	75.4%	51.7%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	70.2%	Down from 75.0%	37.2%	30.1%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No Change	0.9%	2.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	2.9%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	134	Down from 145	983	419
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	100.0%	Up from 96.6%	83.3%	83.0%
<b>Teachers (n=23)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	95.7%	No Change	73.7%	61.1%
Continuing contract teachers	52.2%	No Change	84.0%	80.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	100.0%	Up from 91.7%	92.1%	86.5%
Teacher attendance rate	95.1%	Down from 97.2%	95.1%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	\$50,244	No Change	\$50,244	\$46,884
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	15.5%	Up from 4.4%	0.3%	2.2%
Professional development days/teacher	11.7 days	Down from 13.9 days	11.3 days	10.0 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	9.0	Up from 8.0	9.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	26.3 to 1	No Change	30.0 to 1	26.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	87.8%	Down from 93.7%	87.8%	89.3%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,640	Down 3.7%	\$6,619	\$7,804
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	62.1%	Up from 61.0%	63.4%	58.0%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	68.2%	Up from 67.0%	65.3%	60.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	97.4%	97.3%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%	No Change	95.0%	65.2%

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	18	97	18
Percent satisfied with learning environment	94.4%	88.7%	100.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	94.4%	88.5%	100.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	88.9%	92.8%	100.0%

\*Only students at the highest high school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Greenville Technical Charter High School (GTCHS) is one of the most unique public schools in our state. GTCHS was established in 1999 primarily as a result of the vision and courage of the President of Greenville Technical College, Dr. Thomas E. Barton, Jr. The establishment of GTCHS was supported by the sponsoring school district, the School District of Greenville County, to create middle college/early college program on the main campus of Greenville Technical College. This innovative school concept was supported by the business community to provide students a seamless transition from high school to higher education and the world of work. The South Carolina Department of Education accredits GTCHS.

With a faculty of 24.5, GTCHS offers an academically rigorous four-year program serving a student enrollment of 420 students in grades 9-12. The teaching/learning paradigm is based on Mastery Learning. Though GTCHS does not offer AP courses, students do have the opportunity to take dual credit classes at Greenville Technical College, many earning enough credits to enroll in college as sophomores. Six students in the 2011 graduating class earned associate degrees while in high school. Currently over 79% of the student body is enrolled in at least one college class. Students need to achieve success in all parts of the COMPASS examination in order to be eligible for university transfer course offerings.

The school's ability to offer individualized academic plans and academic assistance further serves to create an opportunity for the success of each student. Teachers use state-of-the-art technology and Greenville Technical College resources to enhance instruction in all subject areas. Student-teacher ratios remain one of the lowest in the upstate at approximately 18-1. The school expects parental involvement at a minimum of one hour per week, 50 hours of community service for every student each year, project based learning that is competency based, and the senior capstone project prior to graduation. These expectations continue to make GTCHS a unique place for learning and character building.

GTCHS has received an Excellent rating from the South Carolina Department of Education from 2002 to 2011 and received the Palmetto Gold Award for nine consecutive years. The school received recognition as a Carolina First Palmetto's Finest winner in 2009 and received recognition as an US Department of Education National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence in 2010. GTCHS is designated as one of the top fifteen charter schools in the nation by the US Department of Education, honored as a National Charter School of the Year by the Center for Education Reform and received the Bronze Award from US News & World Report as one of America's Best Public Schools.

The success of GTCHS is obvious in its increased enrollment and its waiting list for admission. The school was awarded a Federal dissemination grant to share best practices with other schools. Other technical colleges throughout the state are planning similar early college high school programs. GTCHS is a National Tech Prep Demonstration Site and continues to be recognized as a flagship school of choice in our state. For additional information about our school, please visit our website at [www.gtchs.org](http://www.gtchs.org).

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